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REMARKS

In response to the official communication dated February 27, 2004, applicants submit a substitute sequence listing, including a paper copy, a computer-readable format copy, and a statement pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.821(e) that the paper and computer-readable format copies are the same. Deletion of the previously entered sequence listing and entry of the substitute sequence listing is respectfully requested. No new matter is added.

The specification and claims 21-25, 58, and 63 are amended to introduce and/or correct sequence identifiers consistent with the substitute sequence listing. Entry of the amendments prior to prosecution on the merits is also respectfully requested.

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Conclusion

If any questions arise regarding the foregoing amendments, which the examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, he is kindly requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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